



SATURDAY EVENING, JULY 22, 1893.

A most striking and significant aspect of the demand for the repeal of the Sherman law is its universality and its unanimity. Meetings have been held by commercial bodies and trade organizations in all parts of the country—in large cities and small cities, and in all there has been but one sentiment voiced—that the compulsory purchase of silver has been disastrous to the country and must be stopped immediately. Never has a more general or unanimous popular demand been made for legislative action than that which will confront Congress when it meets for the speedy and unconditional repeal of the silver purchasing clause of the Sherman law. It will be the imperative command of the people to which their representatives in Washington must promptly respond. A prompt and favorable response can hardly fail to restore public confidence and assure renewed prosperity.

MAJOR W. T. SUTHERLIN died suddenly at his home in Danville, Va., at an early hour this morning. In him the State has lost one of its most patriotic and gifted sons. Possessed of great natural abilities, he employed them well. By his industry, sagacity and prudence he acquired a comfortable fortune. He filled many positions of public and private trust. As a public speaker and debater he had few equals. His was a large and generous heart, always ready to respond to the wants and troubles of his fellow-man. His beautiful home was the centre of a most liberal hospitality, as can be attested by the many who enjoyed it. A consistent Christian, a public spirited citizen, an honorable gentleman, he lived and died without spot or blemish upon his character.

THE ESPIONAGE and red tape of our customs regulations are already sufficiently onerous and offensive, without being made more so by the officious and abusive way of enforcing them that has been adopted by the officials at the World's Fair. The Russian commissioners are highly indignant over the insulting and cavalier manner in which some of their exhibitors have been treated. Failing to get satisfaction, after a remonstrance to Director General Davis, the Russian exhibit has been closed. Other foreign exhibitors also threaten to close their displays unless they shall receive more considerate treatment. This is not the first time that similar complaints and threats have been made. Surely, some way should be found to avoid this constant friction.

ELEVEN CLAUSES of the home rule bill having passed the committee stage in the House of Commons on Thursday night by the application of the closure, there remains only the consideration of the postponed clauses on finances and postoffice and of the preamble, the debate on which will be closed on Thursday night of next week. There is little evidence that the pending debates in committee will be anything but tame and uninteresting. The tug will come, however, when the bill, having been passed by the House, shall be sent up to the Lords. The mutterings of the storm have already been heard. Will the Upper House brave the roar?

MR. JAMES L. GORDON, of Virginia, delivered the address of the evening at the exercises connected with the fortieth annual commencement of the medical department of the University of Vermont, on the 17th instant. The Burlington Free Press has this to say of the brilliant young orator: "Mr. Gordon's theme was 'The Influence of the Public Press,' and his hearers were treated to forty minutes of genuine southern eloquence, which was warmly applauded at intervals and at the close."

WHETHER GALLAGHER, the self-confessed Homestead poisoner, lied when he was sent to the penitentiary, or lied when he confessed that he had lied, or lied when he retracted his confession that he had lied, it is impossible to tell. One thing is certain: Mr. Gallagher in the penitentiary is Mr. Gallagher in the right place.

THERE is an exciting contest now going on in Loudoun as to who shall represent that county in the next legislature, and Mr. J. F. Ryan, who has held that position with credit for a long time will have numerous opponents.

THE DEMOCRATS of the State are having a very pleasant time of it in their fight over the gubernatorial nomination. The canvass, while spirited, is without a sign of bitterness.

Jacob Palm, junior member of the firm of Baldwin & Palm, was shot and almost instantly killed in his place of business, in Circleville, Ohio, last evening by William Strong. As far as can be learned the shooting was unprovoked and brutal. Strong had been drinking and was quarrelsome all the afternoon.

FROM WASHINGTON.

(Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 22.

Senator Hunt and Congressmen Marshall and Meredith, of the Virginia delegation, were in the city again yesterday, and made visits to a number of the departments in the interest of their constituents.

The statement by Captain Thatcher, of Aspen, Col., crediting President Cleveland and Secretary Carlisle with favoring a certain substitute for the Sherman silver act is said here to be a story made out of whole cloth.

It is reported here by New York politicians that the following important appointments will be made in that city soon: For Collector of the Port, John D. Kaman; Surveyor of the Port, Robert Grier Monroe; Naval Officer of the Port, William A. Poucher, of Oswego, or Alfred C. Chapin, of Brooklyn.

The total number of fourth class postmasters appointed to-day was 98, of whom 41 will fill the places of removed republicans. The changes in Virginia were as follows: Bealeton, Fauquier county, J. M. Price, appointed postmaster, vice J. D. Price, resigned; Chatham Hill, Smyth county, C. M. Sexton, vice C. A. Hubble, resigned; Madisonville, Charlotte county, W. S. Pugh, vice Ella M. DeFord, removed; Mount Solon, Augusta county, J. K. Pifer, vice W. P. Rush, removed.

The U. S. gunboat Concord arrived at Gibraltar to-day, eighteen days from Norfolk. She is on her way to China, and will probably require about two months to complete her voyage.

Secretary Carlisle after an interview with Acting Mint Director Preston this morning authorizes the United Press to state that he fully approves the policy pursued in his absence by acting Mint Director Preston in purchasing silver and that the same policy will govern silver purchases in the immediate future. This statement will set at rest rumors that have been started that Secretary Carlisle would, on his return, reverse the policy of the Treasury in purchasing silver. Mr. Preston was intrusted by Secretary Carlisle with entire discretion in purchasing silver when he left on his vacation. This morning with the approval of Secretary Carlisle, he refused to purchase 100,000 ounces of silver at 70 cents, the London price being about 69 cents per ounce. This lot was part of a lot offered yesterday at 72 to 73 cents per ounce, and was declined and a counter-offer was made by Mr. Preston of 71 cents per ounce, which the holder refused to accept. This morning he offered, as below, a lot of 1,000 ounces at 70 cents—1 cent below the price tendered, but Mr. Preston informed the officer that he only purchased silver on silver days—Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The total amount of silver purchased so far this month is about 1,800,000 ounces, besides some "local" purchases which may bring the total up to 2,000,000 ounces. It is not expected that the total of 4,500,000 ounces of silver will be purchased this month, but this does not worry Treasury officials, as Secretary Carlisle holds with Mr. Preston that the law does not require the Treasury to purchase that amount in case it is not offered within the market price.

Secretary Carlisle again assumed active direction of the Treasury Department this morning. He held conferences with Assistant Secretary Hamlin, Acting Mint Director Preston and other departmental officials, but denied himself as far as possible to other visitors, occupying himself in looking over the vast mail that had accumulated during his absence.

Assistant Secretary Curtis of the Treasury Department, and Dr. Jenkins, State health officer at the port of New York, have adjusted their apparent differences to the satisfaction of each, and in the future, unless new complications arise, all will go smoothly between the State and national authorities as to the entry of vessels and the filing of ships' papers.

Congressman James W. Marshall of the 9th district, better known as "Cyclone Jim," is in town, stopping at the Metropolitan. He is here in the interests of his constituents and expects to remain as long as a "few" republican postmasters among others hanging from his belt before his return to Craig county. As the time draws near for the convening of Congress in extraordinary session, the hungry office seeker looking lean and anxious bobs up with card in hand presenting himself as of yore at the hotel office asking for his "particular" friend.

Quite large number of foreigners on their way to the World's fair are in town.

A party of thirty from Glasgow, Scotland, are stopping at the Metropolitan. The Capitol is comparatively deserted at this time with the exception of the sight-seers. Occasionally a new Congressman comes in to take a look at the large hall and vacant seats. He heaves a sigh when he sees the great rows of chairs and thinks perhaps may be he will be lost in such an aggregation of supposed intellectual lights.

The cleaning and repairing incident to the meeting of Congress is now going on at the Capitol and everything will be in readiness for the lawmakers when they meet two weeks from Monday.

Everything is very quiet around the departments; nearly all the cabinet officers being out of the city.

At the request of the Commissioner of Patents Joseph L. Bennett, the chief clerk of the Patent Office, has resigned.

In addition to the heavy failure of the government depository at Louisville three other failures of national banks were reported to Comptroller Eckels this morning, the failures occurring in sections widely apart. The failed banks are: The State National Bank of Vernon, Texas, capital \$100,000; the First National Bank of Vernon, Kansas, capital \$80,000, and the State National Bank of Knoxville, Tenn., capital \$100,000. All these banks are small institutions, the deposits in each being in the neighborhood of \$100,000. Governor Cooper, connected with the National Bank of Commerce, of Denver, Colorado, had an interview with Comptroller Eckels, this morning as to the bank resuming business.

While not assured, it is probable that arrangements may be perfected by which the bank can resume in a short time.

It is said that President Cleveland will not appoint a successor to the late Justice Blatchford until Congress meets. The various rumors circulated that the justiceship will be offered to Secretary Gresham, or to Secretary Carlisle, or to Attorney General Olney, have no foundation in fact. It is almost certain that as Justice Blatchford was a New Yorker and the Empire State is now without a representative in the highest tribunal of the republic, a New York lawyer will be appointed. Under no circumstances will it be given a westerner.

Since the first of January nearly 200 national banks have closed their doors against less than 50 during the same period last year. Of the failures this year five have been United States depositories. The government, however, will not lose anything by these failures.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Cardinal Gibbons will to-morrow celebrate his fifty-ninth birthday.

Sam. Dandridge, a former slave, died in Charleston, W. Va., leaving an estate estimated at \$50,000.

It is thought the attempt to advance the price of silver has collapsed; the decline in silver continued yesterday. Indictments in the Ford's Theatre disaster case were not completed by the grand jury in Washington yesterday.

Three cannal boatmen are held at Rockville, Md., charged with assaulting a twelve-year-old colored girl who is employed as cook on the boat.

Secretary Carlisle, accompanied by his family, returned to Washington yesterday evening, after an absence of three weeks spent at the World's Fair.

It is reported that Senator Irby recently assaulted a Congressman, Shell in Laurens county, S. C., the trouble growing out of a letter recently written denouncing Irby.

It is said that Edward R. Bacon, president of the B. & O. southwestern system, may be elected president of the B. & O. R. R. at the annual meeting in November to succeed Mr. Mayer, who, it is said, will retire.

The bondholders of the Macon and Northern Railroad Company held a meeting yesterday at the office of the Baltimore Trust and Guarantee Company, and unanimously rejected the offer made by Drexel, Morgan & Co. in their plan for reorganizing the Richmond Terminal system.

Commissioner Seymour, of the Patent Office, has dismissed the charges in the case of Freeman and Foster, patent attorneys, and ex-Commissioner of Patents Simonds, who were charged by the Washington, with wrongfully taking from the Patent office drawing of pending applications of Daniel Drawbaugh for claimed improvements in telephony.

Jacob Woodring was shot by one of his sons at his wife's home, in Slabtown, Pa., on Thursday. Woodring's wife left him about a year ago, on account of his dissipation, and bought a little house of her own. Thursday Jacob, while under the influence of liquor, went to his wife's house and demanded admission, which was refused. He threatened to tear the house down over their heads, when the son fired upon him. The man is in a precarious condition. After the shooting he made an attempt to kill himself, and is kept under a close watch.

The negro convict who outraged and murdered the nine-year-old daughter of Carr Elliott in Lafayette county, Fla., last Wednesday was lynched Thursday night on the spot where he committed the crime by a mob numbering between three and four hundred. The negro confessed that he was guilty and implicated another as an accomplice. The body of the child was found Wednesday evening in a sapling thicket near the house. Her throat was cut from ear to ear. One thigh was broken and the flesh about it badly mangled. Her eyes were protruding from their sockets. The negro paid the penalty of his crime by first being strung to a limb and then having his body riddled with bullets.

Virginia's Quota.

The Washington Evening News says: Of the Virginia delegation, Col. O'Ferrall, by reason of his long experience in the House, has been easily the first. The probabilities are, however, that he will exchange his seat in Congress for the gubernatorial chair of his native State. In that case the chairmanship of the committee on elections will be made vacant. Should by any chance the fate decreed to Mr. O'Ferrall remain, Congress he will undoubtedly remain in his old position.

There are three members out of the ten constituting the Virginia delegation who will be strangers to the House of Representatives. They are Messrs. D. Gardner Tyler, of Sturgeon Point; Claude A. Swanson, of Chatham, and James W. Marshall, of Newcastle. For these gentlemen places will have to be found in accordance with their individual tastes, which will undoubtedly be consulted by Speaker Crisp before their assignment.

Mr. William A. Jones, of Warsaw, had in the last Congress an important and at the same time pleasant assignment on the committee on rivers and harbors, which will be reserved for him in the next House. He will, however, be advanced two points nearer the chairmanship by the failure of re-election of Mr. Stewart, of Texas, and Mr. Haynes, of Ohio. During the last Congress Mr. Jones was also a member of the pension committee, with the work of which he thoroughly familiarized himself. It is within the bounds of possibility that he may be made chairman of that important committee in the next House, or if not, that he will be the second in command.

Mr. George D. Wise will doubtless retain the chairmanship of the committee on inter-state and foreign commerce and he will also take second place on the committee on expenditures in the department of justice.

Mr. James F. Epes will help in the settlement of the great question for the solution of which the extra session is called. He will be a member of the committee on coinage, to which will be submitted the proposition to repeal the Sherman law. He will also have a hand as a member of the committee on emigration in settling the important matters which at every session come before that branch of the House.

Mr. Paul C. Edmunds may, in the event of Col. O'Ferrall's retirement from the House, represent Virginia on the elections committee. If not, he will exercise his legal talent on the committee on the revision of the laws, besides retaining his chairmanship of the committee on expenditures in the department of agriculture.

Mr. Elisha E. Meredith, of the Alexandria district, will continue to assist in the preparation of legislation for the District of Columbia, and will probably have his choice between an assignment to membership on either the select committee on civil service reform or to the standing committee on agriculture. It is understood that he would prefer the latter.

Mr. Henry St. G. Tucker will probably continue to serve on the committee on public lands as well as on the committee on the election of President and Vice President.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

Mrs. Nathaniel Burwell, of Clarke county, died at her home in Millwood recently.

Major W. T. Sutherland, one of the most prominent men in the State, died suddenly at his home in Danville this morning.

A young man named Miller, while running from the rain yesterday, was killed by lightning, near Milldale, Warren county.

Major J. B. Dorman, who has been clerk of the Court of Appeals of Virginia at Staunton for the past ten years, is very ill at his rooms in that city.

The story of a battle in Wise county between the State troops and outlaws, sent out yesterday, is a fake. No State troops are in Wise county, and none have been asked for.

The remains of Gen. John G. Walker, of Winchester, whose death occurred in Washington Thursday night, were taken yesterday afternoon to Winchester, where they will be buried to-morrow. General Hunter, also of Winchester, accompanied the body.

The Richmond democratic city committee last night changed the date of holding the primary for electing delegates to the State democratic convention from August 10 to August 4. This change was made at the instance of Colonel Buford's friends.

Giles district, in Amelia county, yesterday elected Tyler delegates to the Richmond convention. Randolph district, in Cumberland county, elected O'Ferrall delegates, but the delegates in Hamilton district, Cumberland county, are unfrustrated, but are said to favor O'Ferrall.

The question of admitting females to the university has been considered in a conservative manner by the board of visitors and referred back to the faculty, with the request that a suitable plan be established for extending the rights of women to higher education on the plan as taught by the university.

The following new postoffices have been established in Virginia: At Amariyllis, Louisa county, with Allen R. Harlow as postmaster; at Champlain, Essex county, with William A. Gresham as postmaster; at Gahlintown, Patrick county, with Martha E. Hall as postmaster, and at Hedge, Buchanan county, with William A. Justice as postmaster.

Wm. Taylor, the white man who murdered his wife in Pulaski county, recently, was taken to Lynchburg yesterday to prevent lynching. Taylor says he killed his wife with an axe because she took his little girl with her when she went to a disreputable house. Taylor is a very illiterate man, and scarcely seems to recognize the enormity of his crime.

A Dead City of the Baltic.

Its silent, grass-grown streets and the blackened ruins of its once stately churches suggest a mournful retrospect. Yet the Visby of to-day merits more attention than it obtains from visitors to Sweden and the Baltic. Its once fabulous wealth has departed from it. The housewives no longer, as in the old tradition, use golden spoons, nor do the bogs eat from silver troughs, while the eighteen churches of which the town once boasted, seventeen now lie in irremediable ruin, wrecked, it would seem, rather by the ravages of time.

Still, Visby, even in ruins—we may say indeed, because of its ruins and the associations that cling to them, is full of interest. Its early prosperity was largely due to the convenient position Gotland in the Baltic, midway between the Swedish and Russian coasts. Until the new routes by Genoa and Venice and by the Cape of Good Hope were established most of the commerce with the East passed through Russia, and Visby as a place of call became so prominent as to gain the name, "Queen of the Baltic," or the "Eye of the Baltic." Old chronicles assert that even Solomon in all his glory was poorer in gold and silver and precious stones than was this small city.

Visby was one of the first to be enrolled among the Hanse towns, and took a leading part in the famous league. Its maritime league has served as a model for most of the European navigation laws. From the first the "Eye" of the Baltic was mainly directed to business. Its prosperity received royal recognition when Henry III. allowed the merchants of Gotland the privilege of free trade as regarded purchase and traffic in England. The enterprise of the traders enabled them to secure a double profit.

They betook themselves, with other representatives of the league, to London, and established close to Thames street a house called the Steelyard, which flourished for upwards of three centuries. Meanwhile the population increased very rapidly in Visby, and the variety of religious called for the erection of numerous churches and religious buildings. Charitable guilds and hospitals were also established. The monks, after their wont, helped to beautify the town by planting walnut, chestnut, lime and mulberry trees, some of which still thrive. But the chief charm of Visby lies in its gray walls, which, as a specimen of ancient fortification, are almost unique.

Gotland in the old days was a prosperous and important centre; but little remains of its early greatness. The sole existing trace of former independence is a standing army which belongs exclusively to the island and can only be employed in its defense. Every Gotlander, from the age of eighteen to that of fifty or sixty, may be called upon to serve. The active services of the army are unlikely importance to the island from its geographical position and natural defense, that from a strategic point of view it might readily be made a nodding upon the gulfs of Finland and Bothnia. It has even been declared that by means of Gotland and the Russian navy could be locked up and the navigation of the Baltic commanded.—Temple Bar.

EXPLOSION.—An explosion took place in No. 4 shaft of the Kingston Coal Company, at Edwinstown, Pa., yesterday afternoon. A gang of men were at work driving a slope, when a large lamp came in contact with a naked body of gas. The shock of the explosion tore away timbers, smashed nine cars, and horribly burned three men and one boy, who are not expected to recover. A rescuing party in charge of Superintendent Bosser went to the assistance of the victims, who were hurriedly brought to the surface.

The mine is very gaseous, an explosion having occurred the same place some weeks ago, in which several men were badly burned.

Fauquier Notes.

Mr. and Mrs. Kemp and mother from Alexandria are guests of Mrs. Wm. Sheppard.

James L. Lake, son of Rev. I. B. Lake, has accepted a professorship in a college in Kentucky.

Capt. Jas. N. North was paralyzed on his right side last Sunday at Fauquier Springs. He is eighty years old. Mr. Henry Fairfax, of Aldie, has announced himself a candidate for re-election to the State Senate from the Loudoun and Fauquier districts.

This community was greatly shocked on Thursday last by the sudden and untimely death of Mr. David Peters, who, while attending to his daily duties, and apparently in full health and strength, was suddenly stricken down with heart disease.

County levy for 1893 has been fixed at 30 per cent of State tax, or 12c on \$100, and 50 cents capitation. County school levy as follows: Marshall district, 8 cents on \$100; Scott district, 4 cents on \$100; Center district, 8 cents on \$100; Lee district, 5 cents on \$100; Cedar Run district, 8 cents on \$100.

The society of the Sons of Rest will meet in a grove near Fauquier Springs on the 11th of August and enjoy a barbecue and swap chestnuts after the fashion, if not too tired. The feature of the occasion will be the presentation of a silver cup to him who "neither toils nor spins," but who is arrayed in unlearned robes surpassing the beauty of lilies of the field.

Four hundred colored excursionists accompanied by a brass band from Alexandria were landed at Warrenton depot Thursday afternoon, and soon dispersed among race acquaintances. They gave an initiative "Wild West Show" at night at Town Hall, and otherwise amused themselves and colored hosts. They left town at 2 p. m. Friday without leaving behind them any report of bad conduct.

Miss Bessie, the 16-year-old daughter of Thos. G. Stone, committed suicide Friday morning by shooting herself in the mouth with a revolver. It is reported that the severe censure of the father growing out of a renewed misunderstanding of the previous night about a bucket of water maddened the brain and nerved the hand to the commission of the heinous deed. She was very attractive in person and highly connected, and had an income of \$600 in her own right.—Warrenton Index.

Prince William Notes.

At the democratic primary held at Haymarket last week to select a postmaster at that place Mr. Geo. W. Smith was elected.

Mr. Pat. Lynch, conductor on one of the material trains of the R. & D. road, sustained a fracture of one of the bones of his right leg while jumping from a car on Thursday morning. Dr. Iden rendered the necessary medical attention.

Work on the exterior of Mr. R. Porter's residence has been about completed, and the large force of stone-cutters, carpenters and carvers who have for more than a year been employed on it are to the regret of the friends they made during their sojourn here rapidly disappearing. Work on the interior of the building has been commenced and their places are being filled to a large extent, however, by plumbers, electricians and decorators, and the process of erecting and fitting up a structure that would be an ornament to Washington city goes merrily on.—Manassas Gazette.

IN DEFENSE OF ROGERS.—The GAZETTE recently published on account of the assault made on A. M. Rogers, in Wise county, by the father and friends of a little girl, who, it is said, Rogers had treated in an improper manner. J. Booker Clark, of Radford, writes the following account of the affair to the Roanoke Times:

"A special from Norton to the Bristol Courier sets forth the misfortunes of one A. M. Rogers. I would like to express the opinion of the traveling men of Southwest Virginia in regard to this sad affair through the columns of your paper. In brief this is the story just as it happened on Thursday evening: Rogers invited the two little daughters of G. T. Uter to go with him into his sample room and look at some slippers, adding, 'Should you like them I will give you one.'"

"They gladly accompanied him. Taking one of them on his knee he tried the slippers on. They pleased her. At that moment a gentleman came to the open door of the sample room and said, 'Rogers, there is some one out here that wants to buy a bill of shoes.' As he put the little girl down he kissed her, remarking as he did so, 'Come and see me again.' The child tells her father that Rogers kissed her and was guilty of an act unworthy of a gentleman. Upon that one statement he was dragged out into the street by a half drunken man, hence to the outskirts of Georgetown, and beaten to death. As the mob dragged him along the street, Rogers said, 'Men, just give me a chance to explain, and if I can't do so to the satisfaction of all concerned, string me to the nearest tree.' But they did not listen for one moment to his appeal. The matter will be investigated by the Travelers' Association of Virginia, and we hope justice will be meted out to all."

DOUBLE MURDER AND SUICIDE.—A shocking double murder and suicide took place in Metropolis, Ill., yesterday evening, when Richard Shoemaker killed Richard Lukens, Jr., and George Lukens, seriously wounded their father, Richard, and then committed suicide by sending a bullet into his own body. All the parties were men of high social standing in the city and were well known throughout southern Illinois and in Kentucky. Yesterday evening Shoemaker, armed with two large revolvers, walked up to Richard Lukens, Jr.'s gate, and finding the two young men standing in the yard opened fire, shooting George in the right temple and then sending a bullet through Richard's heart as he was holding his babe in his arms. Shoemaker then entered the yard and fired shot after shot into the bodies. Richard Lukens, Sr., hearing the firing, ran to the scene of the trouble, only to be met by the murderer, who opened fire on him, shooting him in the thigh.

By this time a crowd was gathering and Shoemaker ran a couple of squares and then sitting down sent a bullet into his abdomen, and was dead in a few moments. Shoemaker was guardian of Mrs. Lukens and had squandered her estate, causing quarrels with the family.

Serious forest fires are raging in numerous localities in New Hampshire, and many of them will not be completely extinguished till rain falls.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS

A Mysterious Affair.

SEATTLE, Wash., July 22.—Yesterday afternoon the steamer Aquilla, while on Lake Washington, was hailed by a young woman in a row boat. When the boat approached it was seen that the girl, aged about 19, was being beaten by a young man of 27, who was also in the boat. When the steamer approached the young man released her and she stood up and said: "It's all right. I guess he will take me ashore now. The steamer thereupon proceeded. The boat was afterwards seen with the man alone in the stern, when he arose and deliberately dived into the lake and did not again appear. The woman, too, had disappeared.

Killed Their Companion.

PITTSBURG, July 22.—About ten days ago in West Union, Doddridge county, W. Va., James Penwell and a party of oil drillers and contractors were drinking whisky. They became hilarious and Penwell struck one of the party, who returned the blow with a thrust of his clasp knife which proved fatal. The sobered crowd concluded the only thing to do was to bury their dead comrade and keep it quiet. Word was sent to Rochester that he had met his death by accident.

The Silver Bill.

NEW YORK, July 22.—The Bond Buyer to-day prints the following: "We learn that President Cleveland has had made a thorough canvass of both houses of Congress on the silver question. The conclusions reached can point to a long and exciting and bitter contest in both branches of Congress. The eventual repeal of the bill may be brought about, but not promptly."

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

The Pabst brewery in Milwaukee was damaged by fire to-day.

Private advices received in San Francisco yesterday announce that another revolution is brewing in San Salvador.

A San Francisco paper states that Governor Markham has decided to appoint Irwin C. Stump to succeed the late Senator Stanford.

France has granted an extension of time to Siam in which to make formal reply to the demands made upon her in the French ultimatum.

The volcano which startled the natives of Ungra, Alaska, last year by a sudden eruption, has been located 15 miles east northeast from Cape St. John.

Mrs. Vauerehek, a farmer's wife, was held up by two masked men near Rutledge, Minn., yesterday and robbed of \$400. The robbers shot and slightly wounded her.

Mrs. Minnie Statachlin, a farmer's wife living between Millbury and Hilton, N. J., went into the barn on her husband's farm last night and was trampled to death by a horse.

His highness Yagatgi Singh, Maharajah of Kapurthala, India, reached New York yesterday on the steamer Paris. He is accompanied by one of his wives, the fourth in number, and quite a distinguished suite.

Already there is a demand for seats and boxes for the Corbett-Mitchell contest before the Columbian Athletic Club at Roby, Ind., in December next. A steamer load of excursionists from England is expected to witness the affair.

A crowd of five hundred people threatened all last evening to mob the jail at Dayton, Ohio, for the purpose of lynching Billies, Retteback and Kennet, the murderers of Charles Duerr, but the crowd of citizens lacked determined leaders.

William Davis, mail carrier between Blue Point and Bledsoe, Ark., was shot and instantly killed Thursday afternoon at Blue Point by Albert Moore, a resident of that place. Rivalry for the hand of a maiden was the cause of the tragedy.

The Big Four road will in a few days withdraw from the Central Traffic Association. With the Big Four will also go, it is believed, the Lake Shore and Michigan Central roads. This will in all probability precipitate the abolishment of that association.

The colored residents and visitors at Asbury Park, N. J., held a meeting last night to protest against the action of Mr. Bradley in issuing orders keeping them from his board walk on the beach, and decided to raise a fund for the employment of an able lawyer to test the case.

A disastrous wreck is reported on the Burlington road this morning at Oxford, Col., in which seven persons were killed and a number injured. The train is said to be a freight and the victims of the disaster are said to be persons who were "beating their way westward."

The nine condemned Choctaw Indians who were to have been shot July 7, and who were respite to August 4, were removed from the Gaines county, I. T., jail yesterday, to Red Oak in Sugar Loaf county. They are now confined in a private house there under a strong guard.

Senator Zebulon B. Vance to-day made public an open letter which he has written to the farmers' alliance. The Senator says he is pleased at the action of the alliance in urging senators and representatives to stand by the present silver purchasing law until some satisfactory substitute is adopted.

At 5:30 this morning an engine drawing three cars jumped the track in the Alabama street yards at Cleveland, O. Engineer John H. Hines and his fireman both leaped from the engine. The latter escaped without injury, but Hines took the wrong side and the engine toppled over on him. He was

crushed and burned in a horrible manner and was dead when extracted.

Among the failures reported to-day are the Citizens' Bank of Jellico, Tenn.; the First National Bank of Anthony, Kan.; the Milwaukee National Bank and South Savings Bank of Milwaukee; the Union Bank of Greeley, Col.; the private banking house of J. and L. Galbraith at Lampasas, Tex.; the State National Bank of Knoxville, Tenn.; the Kentucky National Bank of Louisville; and the State National Bank of Vernon, Tex. There is a heavy run on the German American and McChants' Exchange Banks of Milwaukee.

At Shooting Park on the outskirts of Milwaukee, Wis., two thousand five hundred turners from all parts of the United States congregated yesterday, and the twenty-sixth annual bandmasterfest was inaugurated.

A duel, that resulted fatally to both the participants, took place in the outskirts of Victoria, Mex., on Thursday between a young law student and a young business man. The quarrel was over a young woman.

Weather permitting Elva. Haaland and Jacob Gaudaur will row at Orilla, Ont., this afternoon for the championship and a stake of \$2,000.

Foreign War Talk.

The Siamese have cut the telegraph line from Bangkok to Saigon to hamper the transmission of dispatches to the French warships. The British government has received information from Bangkok showing that the terms of the ultimatum sent to Siam tallied with the report France had sent to Great Britain. No geographical limitation had been laid down by France, and this was the only point upon which Great Britain was concerned.

Russia has assured the British foreign office that the story that an armed Russian force had been sent to seize the Pamir country was untrue.

Baron de Korff, of the Russian legation in Paris, yesterday emphatically denied the story that his country had agreed to support France in all her demands upon Siam.